

APPLETON DEC. 27, 1862.

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A large fleet of towboats laden with coal, from Pittsburgh, have passed Louisville, for government steamers below Cairo. Five millions are needed.

Counterfeit postal currency of the denomination of fifty cents is in circulation in Iowa. The paper of the counterfeit is thinner and coarser than the genuine, still the fraud is quite successful.

A correspondent writing from Nashville says it is quite certain that the Military Commission now in session at Nashville will sustain General Buell.

A Washington paper of the evening of Dec. 20, says: "The town is all agog today with a story to the effect that night before last a Cabinet Minister and a military officer in high position got into an altercation, which led to blows, the first blow being struck by the officer, but the best of the affair, until they were parted, was with the Cabinet Minister."

Archbishop Hughes says that the priests of St. Sulpice, at Paris, will take charge of the new Catholic University at Troy, recently purchased.

Our losses at Fredericksburg are, killed, 1,128, wounded, 9,105, missing, 2,078.

Burnside assumes all responsibility.

The extent of the injuries done to the Mobile & Ohio road is not known. It is reported that the rebels have taken Holly Springs. The steamer Mill Boy, was fired upon while loading cotton at Commerce, Miss., a force was immediately dispatched to that place, which burned the town and plantations for five miles around. The rebels are concentrating their forces at Murfreesboro and Vicksburg.

Recently, five negroes, four men and one woman, left Charleston passed Fort Sumter and the numerous rebel batteries, and reached our fleet. They represent Charleston in a state of great wretchedness. Anticipating the approach of our gunboat, the people were fleeing to Greenfield and Somerville. The two famous rams had been pronounced a failure.

Sweet potato coffee is out. Sweet potatoes, cut into pieces the size of coffee grains, roasted in a slow oven for the same length of time that coffee is, and then mixed with an equal amount of coffee, will, it is asserted, produce a beverage fully palatable to the genuine and original article.

A telegraphic cable 2,800 feet long—part of the celebrated Atlantic cable—has been laid across the Hudson river, about three miles above West Point, to take the place of the masts on which the wires have been stretched heretofore at Bunker Hill.

The Viceroy of Egypt has ordered one-quarter of the cultivated land of Egypt to be sown with cotton. If the requirement is carried out, as doubtless it will be, the next year's crop will be two thirds greater than that which has been raised there heretofore.

The Hartford, Conn., papers give an account of a terrible accident which happened in the town of Somers, Conn., last Sunday.

A family named Scantling reside in the north part of the town. Three of the children, all girls, the eldest sixteen years of age, went to a pond near the house to slide, while the father and remainder of family were at breakfast. The ice not being sufficiently strong they all broke through.

The father, seeing the condition of his children, rushed frantically to their aid, and in his endeavor to rescue them, he too broke through the ice, and the whole four were drowned.

Gen. Schenck is appointed to the command of the department lately commanded by Gen. Wool who retires from the service.

Parson Brownlow has been appointed Special Treasury Agent to assist similar officers hitherto appointed in regulating trade through the border counties in the West.

The Fond du Lac Reporter says: Gallo & Keach's mill in this city manufactured over 20,000,000 shingles last year and the present year a greater quantity still. Other mills in this city altogether make nearly as many more.

Hon. Chas. Doty, of Menasha, has received an appointment in the commissary department, with the rank and pay of a Captain, and is ordered to report at St. Louis.

The Richmond Examiner, of the 12th inst., states that the small pox prevails there as an epidemic.

WHAT IS MAN?—Chemically speaking, man is forty-five pounds of carbon and nitrogen diffused through five and a half pails of water.

WHAT IS WOMAN?—Woman is one hundred lbs. of man, two pounds of silk, ten lbs. of cotton, and one lb. of whalebone, with an indefinite amount of floss and feathers, and the remainder in hoops.

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Twos not Necessary that he Should Die, to be Praised.

Major Henry S. Eggleston died suddenly, at Milwaukee, on Thursday, the 11th instant. He left home on Tuesday morning, in health, except the disability contracted while in service in Missouri. A cold, taken upon the trip down, gave him some trouble, but not so bad that he was attending to his business up to the immediate time of his death; and he evidently was not concerned as to his health, having written a cheerful letter to his family on Tuesday evening. Symptoms of a mortal character did not occur until a few moments before death. He died sitting in his chair. For thus sudden a transition from this life to that other, we have every reason to believe he was prepared. A member of the Episcopal Church, he has been observably attentive to her sacraments and teachings, and strict in duty. May his readiness be as follows:

SENATE:

Democrats, 16

Republicans, 16

Unionists, 1

ASSEMBLY:

Democrats, 48

Republicans, 44

Unionists, 8

Joint ballot the democrats have a majority of three. The Unionists will have it their power to elect our next Congressional Senator.—*Hudson Star.*

BANK BROKE.—The Hilditch Bank located near the depot, suspended payment on Saturday. We do not know the exact amount of the liabilities of the bank, but understand they are quite heavy. One man had over three dollars of his issue, and is, consequently, a loser to that amount. In connection, we might add, that this "check" business should be played out as soon as possible, for just as long as they are used, just so long will we be without good currency. More failures may be expected soon, as most every one in business has out from \$50 to \$100.—*New Lisbon Republican.*

FIFTEEN THOUSAND SLAIN.—One of the most striking demonstrations of these turbulent times is the rapid education downward which popular feeling has undergone. If the public ever had a heart, it has turned to stone. Eighteen months ago every living man in the United States shuddered at the freshly told tale of a battle. Only Saturday last, some fifteen thousand men, stalwart northern men, were shot down like sheep, and the wholesale butchery scarcely elicits a passing remark. No eye lid quivers over the record; no pulse beats quicker at the terrible tale; no flag flies up to half mast and stop there in memory of the dead. Some few years since a body of six hundred soldiers, by the blunder of an officer, was cut to pieces at Balaclava. The world wept at their fate, and the sweetest poet of the age immortalized their deed in verse. Saturday, five days ago, more than twenty fold the number of six hundred fell dead or bleeding on the hills of Fredericksburg—victims of the grossest blunder the world ever knew. The red Rapahimock was almost literally Stygian water, over which our soldiers were forced by thousands to swim to the spirit world—The nation which stands dumb and unmoved amid these desolating and devastating wholesale murder is more than insatiate—it is morally dead.—*Mil. News.*

SEWARD DEFENDED.—There will be few to mourn the departure of the great luminary of the administration from the cabinet.

His last card is as follows:

"Alas, poor Yorick!" His last card is

placed on the 27th ult., while entering the port of R. Z. in Dominica.

Unkind fact of all, he is dashed from power and treacherously driven into his political grave by his own friends.

Philadelphia, Dec. 24.—A Fortune's Monitor letter of the 23d inst., says that Gen. Foster arrived here to day. After leaving Kingston, his forces took Gold-horn without much loss. After tearing up the rail road, running the ties and destroying the rail and telegraph so that they cannot again be used, he returned to Newbern, N. C., in safety.

NEW ENGLAND (RUMF) CONVENTION.—The Cincinnati Enquirer says:

Nothing shows more how completely the whole country is ruled by three millions of New England people, than the Committee in the United States Senate. We give the chairman of them, with their sections:

Committee

Our Woodland Home.

Local Editors:
Isaac D. and James Ryan.

The afternoon services of the Baptist Church will be held hereafter at 2 o'clock.

To all whom it may Concern.

The price of printing paper and other printer's stock has advanced to such fearful high rates, with a fair prospect of still further advances before next Spring, that it becomes absolutely necessary for us, in order to save ourselves from losing money on the papers we print, to notify our subscribers *sus and ob* that hereafter all new subscribers will be charged \$2 per year, cash in advance. Present subscribers will receive the *Current* at \$1.50, provided they pay up for the volume before Jan. 1st. If not paid before Jan. 1st, we shall charge them \$3. This arrangement is *positive* and will be strictly adhered to. If subscribers cannot pay this rate, they must stop their paper. We do not increase the price on our own choice or wishes, but from necessity. The paper we print this sheet on costs us just *one-half* more than it did two months since. Papers all over the country are increasing their rates. We also notify our customers that we shall have to increase our rates for job work. We will, however, do work as cheap as it can be done and live.

This is a fair warning to all. There is time enough before Jan. 1st, to settle up all indebtedness and save extra cost.

Donation Visit.

A donation visit is contemplated by the Congregational Church and Society for New Year's evening, at the residence of the Pastor, Rev. F. B. Doe.

A general invitation is hereby extended to all members of the congregation.

By order of the ladies.

Govt. Stamps can be had at the Appleton Bank.

The bottom of the weather has entirely dropped out during the last two days. Mud is sovereign.

New Year's gifts, valuable and pleasant, may be had at Allen & Jackson's Drug Store.

SECOND WARD SCHOOL.—Mr. Palmer, Principal of this school, informs the public through this medium that school will commence on Monday, next.

DONATION.—The many friends of Rev. F. B. Doe, will note that they are invited to a friendly, substantial call on their worthy pastor, on New Year's night. Let him rejoice generously from your plenty.

THREE OYSTERS of Seaman & McWha's, together with all the other oysters, are "not bad to eat." This firm have opened their Oyster Bakery and Restaurant off the site of the Bazaar Rooms.

HOOT & LADDER CO.—A company of thickly-clad men in this city very much, and great good could be accomplished by us at first. We will, some of our public spirited, live men start the institution.

OUR BARREL FACTORY is now turning out 800 barrels per day, on contracts alone. Beside this item, the number of stores and bachelors being shipped to all points, would astonish the public so much, we dare not attempt to enumerate.

SOLOMONS will observe by an advertisement in to day paper that in order to be carried on the cars at reduced rates, it will be necessary to prove themselves entitled to such reduction, by proper vouchers; as also the necessity of securing their tickets before going on the cars.

Row.—A disgraceful row and fight occurred on the Avenue last Wednesday evening, in front of one of our low whikey holes in town, by which an Irishman was badly wounded. A number of the participants and sympathizers were arrested and bound over to keep the peace. They ought to have been fined about \$25 each.

LIVELY TIMES.—Never were the times as lively in this place, as within the past month. The streets are alive with teams and wagons from the surrounding country. Money is lavishly spent—but principally eastern rage—much counterfeit, at that. Retail dealers are trading as high as \$25 per day, in some cases. Appleton, as a market and trading point, certainly ranks ahead of any town in the River Valley.

GOV'T. PLUNGER.—We learn that an Abolition Republican in this county, and who has been in the Western Army, has sent and brought in the Gov't. blankets, over coats, &c., to the value of \$10,000. These articles, it is said, were picked up in the rear of our jaded men, and, in some cases, stolen outright. If these are the true facts, we think the Prothon. Marshal better honor us with his presence.

COUNTY BOARD.—We were in hope to have been able to lay before our readers the whole proceedings of the Board of Commissioners, in reference to the mistakes occurring in the apportionment of tax to the several towns, but Christmas &c., has so materially interfered in our arrangements that we are compelled to defer the publication until next week.

CARRIER'S ADDRESS.—Our Carrier, who has visited you weekly during the past year, in rain or shine, heat and cold, dry and late, will call on the patrons of the Appleton Crescent on New Year's morning with his annual address, which you will generally receive, and generously bestow on a good and faithful boy your regular shipasters, dollars, half dollars, or quarters, as your conscience, not *pixies*, may dictate. Remember the Carrier!

To the Citizens of Appleton.

A general complaint has prevailed for a long period, against our present City Charter. I have been requested to prepare for passage, at the coming session of the Legislature a revision or amendment thereto, which I have endeavored to do, and will be happy to have all the citizens and taxpayers of the city call at my office on and after Monday next and examine the revision, which will at that time be ready for inspection. It is my desire that all citizens will be interested in the welfare of the city & in the revision and suggestion, alterations as may be in the public good.

T. R. GRADY

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The City Tax list will probably be in the hands of the Treasurer some time about the 5th or 8th.

The *Graphic* of J. H. Barron has had all the rage the past week, in many valuable articles have been drawn and much fun was had at the expense of unfortunate visitors. He will have another for New Years different plan. F. J. Jackson, Mr. Clinton and Harley Lee drew the most valuable framed engravings.

PERSONAL.—We have had the pleasure of a call from Hon. John E. Thomas, Senator from Sheboygan. He is a live specimen of the regular Democracy.

Editor Ducker, of the *Keweenaw Enterprise* was in town the early part of the week and made us a fraternal call. He is looking well.

ANOTHER FIRE.—A small building on Allen Street, in the Second Ward, was destroyed by fire on Sunday evening last. It was owned by Mr. C. G. Atkins, and was occupied by a French family at the time it was burned. The fire communicated to the building from a defect in the chimney. The furniture was about all saved. The loss of the building cannot exceed \$100. Be careful of your fires!

PROCLAMATIONS.—Old Ads. and our proclamations take effect on Thursday, the First of January next. Let our subscribers remember that we are in earnest, whether Mr. Lincoln is or not. No pay, no papers. Ye that are disposed to avert the calamity likely to fall on your devoted heads take heed and be wise, and flee from the wrath and punishment while yet a few days intervene between the living present and the notable First of January.

REVENUE.—Mr. Jack-in-Tubbs, Dept. U. S. Assessor, gives us the following figures, exhibiting the revenue as shown in his assessment taken in this county:

Annual License. \$1,875.00
Clerk Assessments. 19.00
Monthly Duty. 418.00

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DRADY.—A good time is to be had in the winter months in this country.

W. L. B. R. in 24 hours of course, the weather. The heavy snows in winter, however, interfere with our sports, but the snows are not so bad as to interfere with our sports.

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Its location at the great center of the Western grain and stock regions gives it an advantage over all papers of its class in furnishing matter especially adapted to the wants and interests of the West.

That it is appreciated we have abundant evidence in the numerous articles copied from it by the press, both east and west.

We have read it for years, and can most cordially recommend it to our readers as in every way suited to their wants as an Agricultural and Home Journal. It meets the requirements of the general Agricultural, Horticulturists, Stock Breeder, and of the Family Fireside, devoting it to a portion of space to each of the departments.

SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS.—The publishers have secured the services of Dr. Geo. H. Dadd as a regular contributor to the Prairie Farmer. He will give special attention to answering questions and imparting information upon matters interesting to stock owners and breeders. This feature alone will make the paper worth the subscription price to any one who owns a cow, horse or pig. Dr. Dadd is the most accomplished Veterinary Surgeon in the United States, and is the well known writer upon Domestic Animals and their Diseases.

The paper is published weekly at \$2 per year, \$1.50 in clubs of two or more names. Send to **Emery & Co.**, Chicago, Ill., and secure the most valuable assistance you can have in your calling.

All travelers arriving at Santa Fe are required to report to provost marshal Right and give satisfactory evidence of their loyalty. Efforts are being made to quiet the Navajos.

Maj. General Foster has made an official report of his recent advance and capture of Kingston, N. C. He captured 11 pieces of artillery and took 400 or 500 prisoners and a large amount of stores. His loss he says will probably not exceed 200 in killed and wounded.

The Superintendent of Public Printing reports to Congress that the expense of paper has increased 100 per cent.

The U. S. steamer Sagamore, captured the schooner B. Y. George from Nassau, with a cargo of coffee and salt.

The number of sea-going vessels in the world is about sixty five thousand, two-thirds of which belong to England and the United States.

There was an Irish brigade in the battle, chiefly from New York. They went into the fight with green branches in their hats, and came out with less than half their number.

News is received from Pembina and Fort Geary, Minnesota, which states positively that a force of 700 warriors of the Yankton, and Caibend Sioux, are congregating at Devil's Lake, making preparations for war against the white settlements now spring, on an extensive scale.

POST OFFICE DIRECTORY.

Post Office opens at 8 o'clock in the morning, and closes at 6 o'clock in the evening. Telegraphic messages are sent at 10 a. m., 12 m., 2 p. m., 4 p. m., 6 p. m., and 8 p. m. on Green Bay mail, via Kaukauna and Little Chautaukaua, at 50 c. p. m. To the post office, little Chautaukaua, slopes at 10 a. m., and leaves at 12:30. Houghton's mail arrives Monday and Thursday, at 10 a. m., and leaves at 2 p. m. Station will arrive Thursday, at 10 a. m., and leaves at 2 p. m. Saturday, and leaves Friday, at 2 p. m. Saturday, and leaves Friday, at 9 a. m. Green Bay, via Freedmen's Station, arrives here at 2 p. m. Saturday, and leaves Friday, at 9 a. m.

CHURCH DIRECTORY.

M. C. Church, West Ward, Rev. J. Johnson, Pastor. Services in the morning at 10, in the evening at 7. Sabbath School and Bible Class immediately close of morning service. Congregational Church, Second Ward, Rev. F. B. Bass, Pastor. Services in the morning at 10 o'clock, evening at 7. Sabbath School and Bible Class immediately close of morning service.

Baptist Church, Second Ward, Rev. D. H. Cooley, Pastor. Services in the morning at 10:30 o'clock, afternoon at 2. Sabbath School and Bible Class at close of morning service.

Catholic Church, Third Ward, Rev. Louis Dael, Pastor. Services in the morning at 11, evening at 7:30. Mass in the morning at 7:30 a. m., and at 12:30. Grace Church (Episcopal), Rev. S. Palmer, services every Sunday at Old Fellow's Hall.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

Worley Lodge, No. 51, F. & A. M., meets at Masonic Hall, every Monday evening. Lodge No. 10, F. & A. M., meets at Old Fellow's Hall, every Monday evening.

Perpetual Lodge, No. 19, I. O. O. F., meets at Old Fellow's Hall, every Tuesday evening.

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